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Resolve, Honoring Women Veterans of Maine

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, women from Maine who have served in the Armed Services of the United States have made countless contributions and tremendous sacrifices during times of war; and

Whereas, it is important to recognize the contribution of Maine women veterans and educate the people of Maine concerning the role of women during wartime since this Nation was founded; and

Whereas, the Commission to Arrange for a Monument Honoring Women Veterans of Maine has recommended and received initial approval for a patriotic, educational and inspiring monument to be erected near the Capitol; and

Whereas, a major fund-raising effort needs to begin in order for this monument to be available for all of the people of Maine and visitors to this State as provided in the timeline provided in the report of the Commission to Arrange for a Monument Honoring Women Veterans of Maine; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore, be it

Sec. 1 Bureau of General Services to transfer funds for construction of a monument honoring women veterans of Maine. Resolved: That the Director of the Bureau of General Services within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services is directed to transfer \$250,000 to the account established to accept donations for the Women Veterans Monument as recommended by the Commission to Arrange for a Monument Honoring Women Veterans of Maine; and be it further

Sec. 2 Appropriations and allocations. Resolved: That the following appropriations and allocations are made.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF

Bureau of General Services

Initiative: To provide initial funding for the construction of a monument to honor women veterans of Maine.

GENERAL FUND	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
All Other	\$250,000	\$0	\$0
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	\$250,000	\$0	\$0

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this resolve takes effect when approved.

SUMMARY

This resolve provides initial funding to begin construction of the Women Veterans Monument as recommended by the Commission to Arrange for a Monument Honoring Women Veterans of Maine.